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SUBJECT: EEC WHEAT UMR'S FOR BOLIVIA, HONDURAS AND PERU

REF: A) BRUSSELS 13758 NOTAL, B) BRUSSELS 13988 NOTALS,
C) BRUSSELS 13759 NOTAL

1. BOLIVIA: WE BELIEVE THE FIGURE GIVEN IN REF A FOR
BOLIVIA'S IMPORTS IN 1973 IS INCORRECT. IT WAS REVISED
BY IWC IN ITS REPORT DATED FEBRUARY 14, 1975. CORRECT
NUMBER IS 65,657 VICE 278,470. WITH THIS CHANGE FIVE YEAR
AVERAGE IS 152,800 RATHER THAN 195,378. EC COMMISSION
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MAY WISH TO ADJUST ITS PROPOSED UMR ACCORDINGLY.

2. HONDURAS: WE BELIEVE FIGURES GIVEN FOR HONDURAN
COMMERCIAL IMPORTS IN 1974 AND 1975 (REF B) ARE INCORRECT.
CORRECT FIGURES ARE 50,326 FOR 1974 AND 35,094 FOR 1975.
THUS FIVE YEAR AVERAGE IS 40,348 RATHER THAN 41,190. EC
COMMISSION MAY WISH TO REDUCE ITS PROPOSED UMR TO THIS

LOWER FIGURE.

3. PERU: WE AGREE WITH EC'S COMPUTATION OF WHEAT UMR IN
REF C. USG HAS, HOWEVER, ESTABLISHED 740,000 METRIC TON
WHEAT UMR FOR AMERICAN FISCAL YEAR 1978. WE AGREED TO THIS
SLIGHTLY LOWER FIGURE BECAUSE OF PERU'S PRESENT

EXTRAORDINARY ECONOMIC DIFFICULTIES. EC COMMISSION MAY
WISH TO CONSIDER ADOPTING THIS LOWER FIGURE, THOUGH WE
RECOGNIZE THAT APPLIABLE PERIODS OF THE TWO UMR'S DIFFER.
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